

**REMARKS**

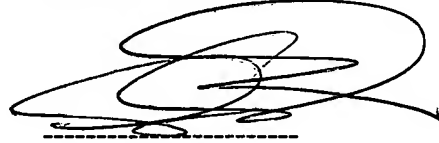
By this amendment, claims 4-15 are added. Attached hereto is a Request for Continued Examination. Claims 1-3 have been previously indicated as being allowed, and a Notice of Allowance was mailed on May 23, 2005. The issue fee has not been paid.

The above amendments do not add new matter to the application and are fully supported by the specification. For example, support for the amendments is provided at pages 8-19 of the specification.

**CONCLUSION**

Applicant submits that all of the claims are patentably distinct from the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to pass the above application to issue. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below, if needed.

Respectfully submitted,  
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